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In re the Application of:

**K. Ranji Vaidyanthan, et al.**

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**AMENDMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2004, please amend the instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.